GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:156
ANSWERED ON:13.03.2002
INDIA`S CANDIDATURE FOR SECURITY COUNCIL .
NIKHIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY;RATILAL KALIDAS VARMA

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is making efforts to become a member of the Security Council;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the names of the countries who have supported India`s stand in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH)

(a) - (c) A Statement is placed on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN ANSWER TO PARTS (A) TO (C) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 156 T ANSWERED ON 13.3.2002 REGARDING ``INDIA`S CANDIDATURE FOR SECURITY COUNCIL`.

India formally presented its candidature for permanent membership of the Security Councilin 1994 in the UN General Assembly. Since then we have pursued our candidature at the UN and in our bilateral interactions. There is growing momentum in support of India`s candidature for permanent membership of the UN Security Council. Many developing and developed countries, including some permanent members of the Security Council have supported India`s candidature either at the UN or bilaterally.